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<b>POWER OF ATTORNEY</b>	Approved	
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A Power of Attorney (POA) authorizes a person to act on behalf of another person for the matter specified in the text of the POA. When used for a vehicle transaction, the POA must be submitted with the title documents.

There are two basic types of POAs:

**GENERAL POA** - This document grants a person authority to act for a person in any matter with no limitation unless a restriction is specified in the POA. The person named on the POA may sign any document or take the same action as the person granting the power of attorney. Some general POA's have a time limit or expiration date. If a limit is not specified on the document it is valid until revoked or until the death of the person granting the power of attorney. The original may be returned and a certified copy\* retained by the Division.

**SPECIFIC OR LIMITED POA** - This document grants a person specific or limited action on behalf of another. For example, granting a person authority to sign any documents required to title and register a vehicle. Most limited POA's will contain the vehicle identification number of the vehicle. If a customer submits a POA without the VIN, it must contain the license plate number and a description of the vehicle in order to consider accepting it. Use your best judgement in these cases.

Because this type of POA is limited to a specific action, the original POA is submitted with the title documents. If a person has a reasonable need for retaining the original POA, follow the procedures outlined below:

\*Make a copy of the original POA. Write "Certified copy of original. Original in batch \_\_\_\_." Date and sign the copy and return it to the customer. Be sure to include your AMVC ID and office location. For a general POA, give the original back to the customer and state on the copy that you saw the original.

A POA that is prepared in Alaska **must be notarized** and must be an original or certified copy as outlined above. Photocopies or FAX copies are not generally accepted; however, good judgment should be exercised in extenuating circumstances. Some states do not require notarization on limited POA's for vehicle titling purposes, or require witnesses instead of notarization. These forms may be accepted if they are on a state form and are properly completed.

A POA can be transferred to another person using the POA to sign the transfer. (T-150)

**A POA IS NOT VALID IF THE PERSON GIVING POWER OF ATTORNEY  
DIES OR REVOKES THE POWER OF ATTORNEY.**

Cross Reference:

T-150 Signature Requirements